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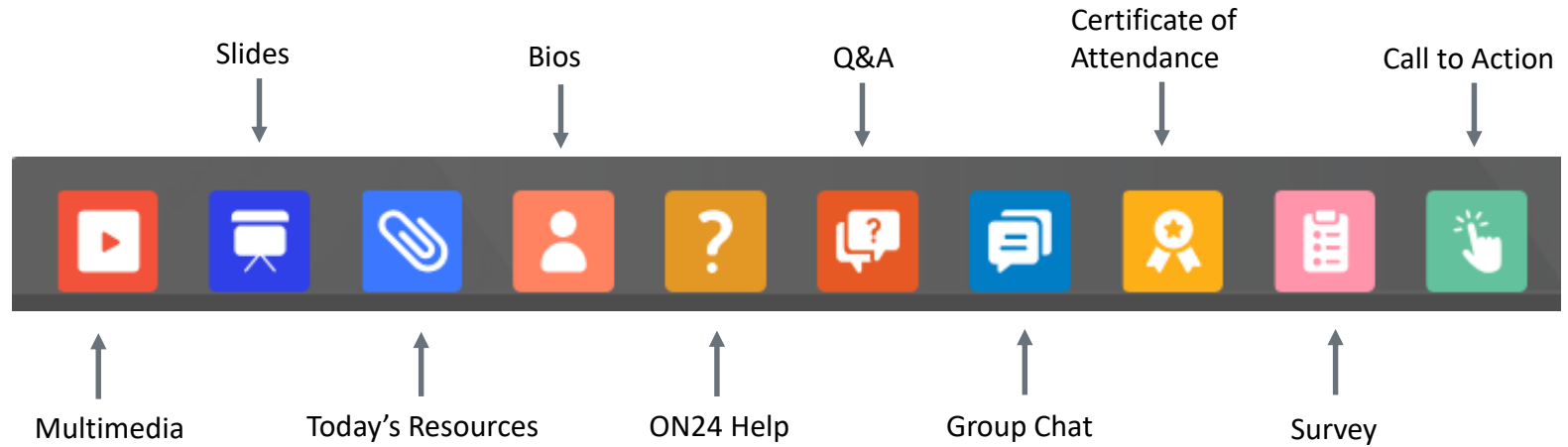
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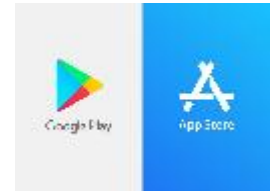
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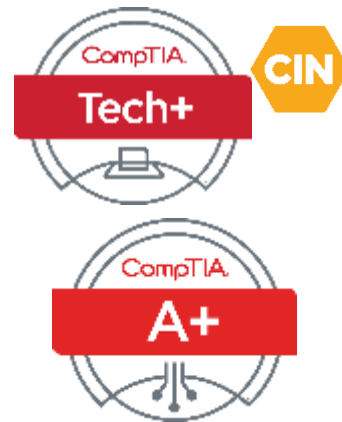
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**When:** Aug 12 – Sept 11, 2024

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**Network+ N10-009 TTT Session Outline**

Date	Topic
✓ 06/20/2024	Introduction and Network Topologies
✓ 06/25/2024	Cabling and Physical Installations
✓ 06/27/2024	Configuring Interfaces and Switches
✓ 07/02/2024	Configuring Network Addressing
✓ 07/09/2024	Configuring Routing and Advanced Switching
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✓ 07/25/2024	Emerging Technologies and Trends



# SUMMARIZING CLOUD CONCEPTS



# Learning Objectives



Explain datacenter and storage network architecture.



Summarize cloud concepts.



Summarize the use of software, coding, and zero trust in modern network environments.

# Datacenter and Storage Networks



# Datacenter Network Design



## Components of Modern Datacenter Network Design

Virtualization: Agile and scalable networks

Overlay Networks: Secure, flexible server-to-server traffic

Zero Trust Architecture: Authentication/authorization for each request

High Availability features: Networking, power, climate, and access control for reliability



## Understanding Traffic Flows: North-South vs. East-West

North-South Traffic: External client access to datacenter resources

East-West Traffic: Server-to-server communication within datacenter

Security and performance challenges: Need for advanced security and efficient traffic management

# Spine and Leaf Topology

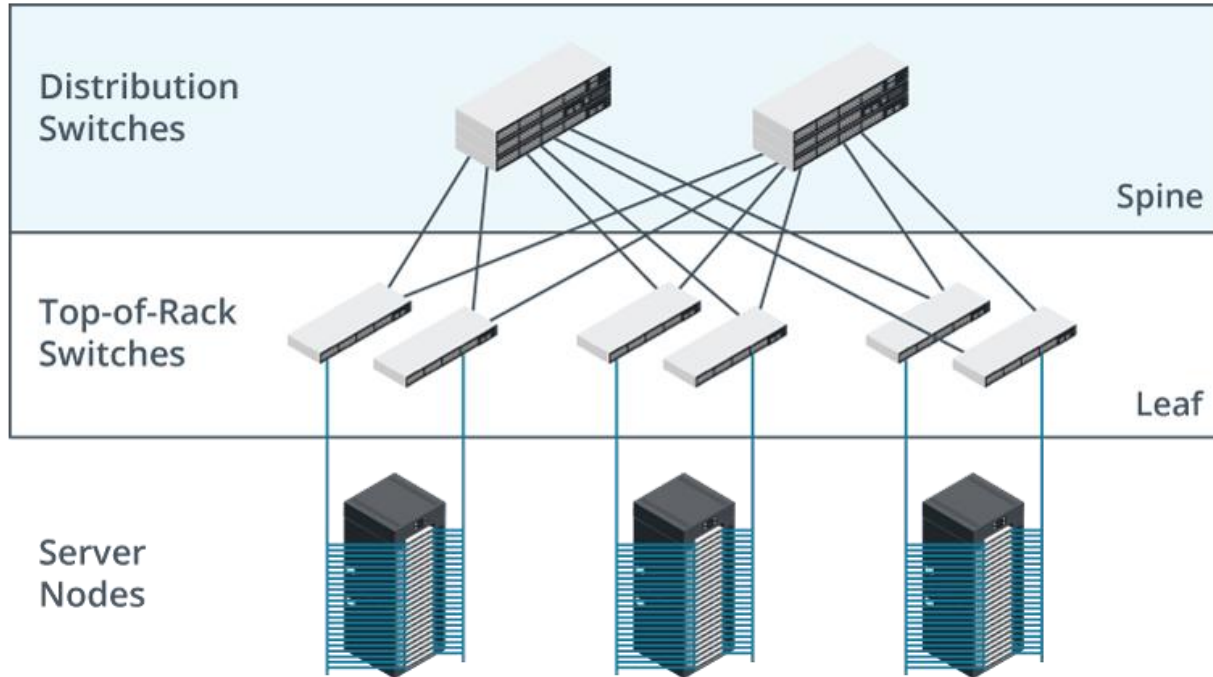
## •Spine and Leaf Topology

- Two-layer network topology for optimized data center traffic flow

## •Structure

- **Spine Layer**
  - Backbone containing top-tier distribution switches
  - Spine switches interconnected with all leaf switches but not with each other
- **Leaf Layer**
  - Includes access switches that connect to every spine switch in a full mesh topology
  - Facilitates direct paths from devices to the network backbone without inter-leaf switch connections

# Spine and Leaf Topology Example



# Benefits of Spine and Leaf Topology

## •Predictable Latency

- Single hop from any server to the backbone

- Ensures consistent network performance

## •Load Balancing and Failover

- Multiple redundant paths between leaf and spine

- Allow for effective load distribution and reliability

## •Loop-Free Design

- Non-interconnected spine and use of ECMP on leaf switches

- Eliminates need for Spanning Tree Protocol

## •Scalability and Redundancy

- Easy to scale by adding more spine or leaf nodes without topology changes

- Servers connect to multiple leaves for redundancy

## •High-Speed Connectivity

- Top-of-Rack (ToR) switches at the leaf layer provide high bandwidth connections to servers

- Support modern data-intensive applications

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# Storage Area Network (SAN)

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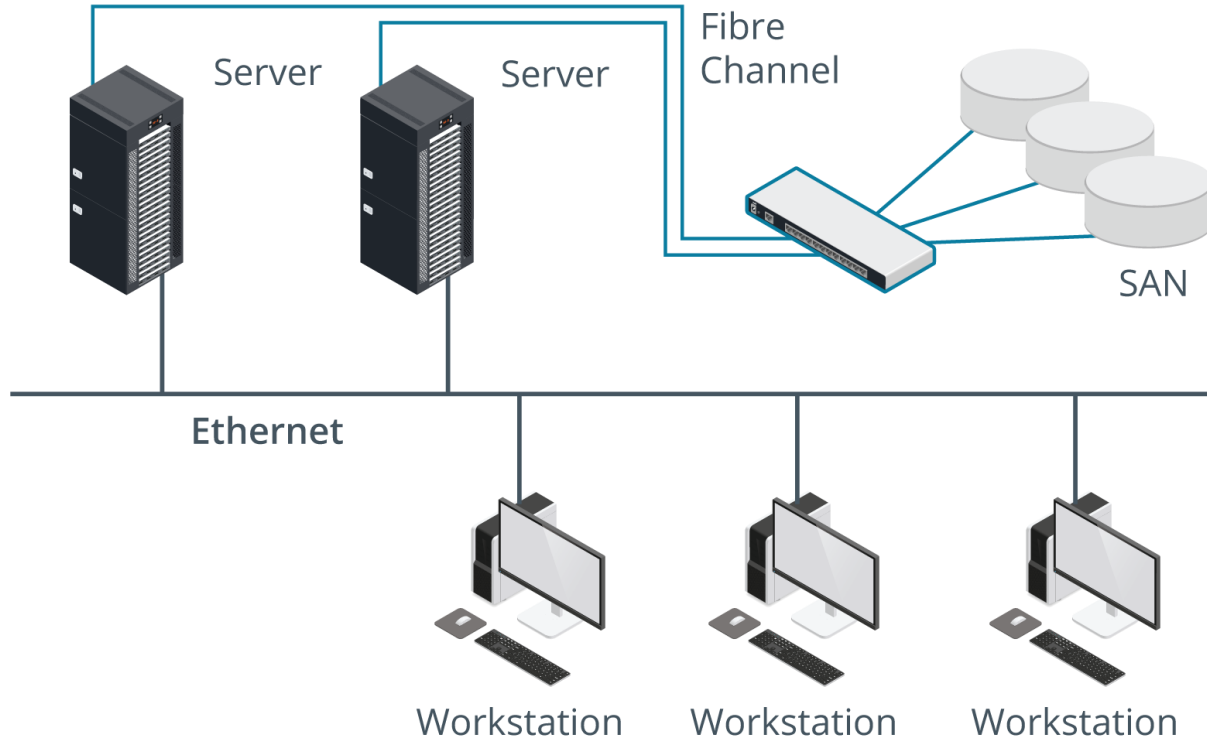
- A network dedicated to providing access to consolidated, block-level data storage
- Separates storage resources from the local network

## •Components of a SAN

- Storage devices (RAID arrays, tape libraries)
- SAN Fabric (Switches and directors that connect servers with storage devices)
- SAN Software (Management and configuration tools)



# SAN Example



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# Storage Area Network (SAN)

## •Benefits of a SAN

- High Availability
- Scalability
- Minimized latency and maximized throughput

## •Use Cases

- Database management
- Business continuity
- Cloud storage

# Fibre Channel (FC)

## Defined

High-speed data transfer protocol

Backbone for SANs

British spelling “fibre” to distinguish from fiber optic cables

## Components

Initiators (servers with a host bus adapter)

Targets (storage device ports)

FC switches (facilitate data transfer)

## Advantages

Performance

Flexibility

Speed

Quality of Service (QoS) mechanisms

- What are the key components of modern datacenter network design?
- How does a spine and leaf topology differ from traditional network architectures, and what are its benefits?

# Game: "Datacenter Design Challenge"

- Arrange the following components in the correct order to build an efficient datacenter network, from the core to the edge:
  1. Spine switches
  2. Servers
  3. Leaf switches
  4. Internet connection

# Cloud Concepts



# Scalability in Cloud Computing



## Definition

Capability of a cloud computing system to handle growing amount of work

Cloud system grows with your needs: Handles increasing workloads



## Types

Horizontal Scaling (Scaling Out/In)

Vertical Scaling (Scaling Up/Down)



## Benefits

Flexibility

Performance



## Examples

Scale servers for anticipated surge in web traffic (product launch)

Upgrading server specifications to support more intensive compute tasks

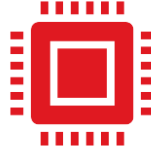
# Elasticity in Cloud Computing



## Definition

Ability of a system to automatically adjust and allocate computing resources on demand

Ensures optimal performance despite fluctuations in usage



## Key Features

Automatic Scaling

Cost-Effectiveness (pay what you use)

Real-Time Responsiveness



## Examples

Auto-scaling web application servers during a traffic spike

Decreasing allocated resources overnight when demand is lower to reduce costs



# Cloud Deployment Models

Model	Description	Pros	Cons
Public Cloud	Shared resources over the Internet by CSPs	Cost-effective, pay-as-you-go financing, subscriptions	Higher risks in performance and security
Hosted Private Cloud	Exclusively used by one organization, hosted by a third party	More secure, better performance	More expensive
Private Cloud	Owned and operated by the organization	Greater control over privacy and security	Best for services requiring strict access control
Hybrid Cloud	Mixes public and private cloud solutions	Flexibility to scale; balances security and cost	Complexity in managing multiple environments

# Cloud Service Models



## Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)

Provides virtualized computing resources over the internet

Examples: AWS EC2, Microsoft Azure Virtual Machines, OpenStack



## Software as a Service (SaaS)

Delivers software applications over the internet (subscription basis)

Examples: Microsoft Office 365, Salesforce, Google Workspace



## Platform as a Service (PaaS)

Hardware and software tools over the internet, typically for application development

Examples: Oracle Database, Microsoft Azure SQL Database, Google App Engine

# Advantages of Cloud Service Models



## Scalability and Flexibility

Scale resources up or down based on demand without the need for physical hardware changes



## Cost Efficiency

Pay only for the computing resources you use



## Speed and Efficiency

Deploy and manage applications faster without the need to set up and maintain physical servers



## Accessibility and Collaboration

Access your applications and data from anywhere

# Activity: What Would You Do?

- Imagine you are the CTO of a growing tech startup that manages sensitive financial data for clients worldwide. You're deciding on the most suitable cloud deployment model to optimize your operations while adhering to strict data privacy laws and regulatory compliance.
- Your options include adopting:
  - A public cloud for its scalability and cost-effectiveness
  - A hosted private cloud for its enhanced security features
  - A fully private cloud for ultimate control and privacy
  - A hybrid model that combines the benefits of both public and private clouds to meet your specific operational and regulatory needs.
- Given the critical nature of the data and the need for scalability as your startup grows, which deployment model would you choose to ensure the best balance of security, compliance, flexibility, and cost?



# Poll Questions

- What are the main differences between scalability and elasticity in cloud computing?
- Compare and contrast the different cloud deployment models (public, private, hosted private, and hybrid).

# Cloud Networking





## Types of Cloud Instances

**Virtual Machines (VMs):** Fully-fledged servers with emulated hardware, can run an OS and multiple applications

**Containers:** Isolated environments for running applications (lightweight & portable)

**Virtual Appliances:** Pre-configured VMs/containers (emulating hardware functions)



## Advantages of Cloud Instances

**Flexibility and Scalability:** Easily resized and scaled; no physical hardware changes

**Cost-Effectiveness:** Scale costs with resource usage

**Rapid Deployment:** Fast provisioning; minutes to deploy & configure instances

# Comparing Cloud Instances

## •Virtual Machines (VMs)

- Run multiple OSs on a single hardware platform

- Complete isolation from the host system (secure and stable operations)

- Higher resource consumption due to emulation of hardware

## •Virtual Appliances

- Pre-built software packages for tasks like firewalls, ready to run

- Optimized to use resources more efficiently than general-purpose VMs for specific tasks

- Can be easily deployed across diverse cloud environments

## •Containers

- Shares the host system's kernel, reducing overhead significantly

- Easier to scale and manage due to their small footprint

- Designed to run a single application or service for performance and portability



# Virtual Private Clouds



## Virtual Private Clouds (VPCs)

Serve as isolated environments within a public cloud  
Enable organizations to run their applications securely



## Key Features

Each VPC is isolated from other tenants in the cloud  
Tenants can configure their virtual network  
Offer multiple layers of security controls, including security groups and ACLs



## Use Cases

Application Hosting  
Hybrid Cloud Environments  
Customization and Flexibility  
Networking Across Clouds

# Cloud Firewall Security



## Cloud Firewall Security

Acts as a barrier between cloud resources/external threats

Enforces security rules to allow or block traffic



## Functions

Segmentation for performance and compliance

Filters traffic based on OSI model layers



## OSI Layers Explained

Layer 3 (Network): IP addresses and TCP/UDP ports filtering

Layer 4 (Transport): Stateful inspection of connections

Layer 7 (Application): Parsing protocol headers for content-based filtering

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# Implementing Cloud Firewall Solutions

## •Implementation Options

- Host-based software on instances
- Service at the virtualization layer

## •Considerations

- Software-based solutions consume resources
- Management complexity with multiple instances

## •Benefits of Cloud Firewalls

- Scalable and flexible security management
- Facilitates compliance with data protection laws

## •Cost vs. Efficiency

- Analysis of transaction costs for cloud firewalls
- When to consider third-party firewall services

# Security Groups



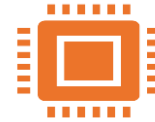
## Definition

A security group acts as a virtual firewall for instances to control inbound and outbound traffic



## Functionality

Operates at the instance level  
Provides stateful filtering  
Allows specifying allow rules, but all unmatched traffic is dropped



## Key Points

Multiple security groups can be assigned to a single instance  
Customization allows for specific ports and IP ranges to be defined for access  
Restricting traffic based on protocol, port numbers, and source/destination IP addresses

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# Activity: Matching

•Fully-fledged servers with emulated hardware, capable of running an operating system and multiple applications

•Lightweight, used for running single applications or processes with minimal overhead

•Pre-configured; often used for emulating specific hardware functions like routers or firewalls

Containers

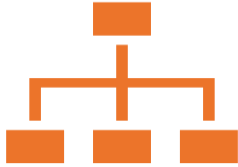
Virtual Machines

Virtual Appliances

# Modern Network Environments



# Infrastructure as a Code



## Infrastructure as a Code (IaC)

Management of IT infrastructure through machine-readable definition files

Uses code to manage and provision the IT infrastructure automatically and safely

Enables quick, consistent, and cost-effective deployment of applications across various environments



## Benefits

Consistency and efficiency

Speed and scalability

Version control and collaboration

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# Tools for Infrastructure as a Code

## •Terraform

- Allows for declarative coding to provision and manage any cloud, infrastructure, or service

## 2.Ansible

- Uses a declarative language to automate deployment, configuration, and orchestration tasks

## 3.Chef

- Uses recipes and cookbooks to apply configurations across environments

## 4.Puppet

- Uses a declarative approach to automate infrastructure management

## AWS Cloud Formation

- Allows you to use programming languages or a simple text file to model and provision all the resources needed for your applications



# Use Cases for Infrastructure as a Code

## •Automating Deployment

- Rapidly deploy VMs and containers to various cloud environments with minimal manual intervention

## 2.Consistency & Speed

- Use master images or templates for consistent and fast provisioning of infrastructure

## 3.Efficient Upgrades

- Streamline the upgrade process of OS and software versions

## 4.Dynamic Inventory Management

- Keep track of cloud instances through dynamic inventories

# Source Control

## Source Control

- Method to manage and track code changes in software development

- Essential for collaborative projects and maintaining code integrity

## Components

- Version control

- Central repository

- Branching

- Conflict identification

## Benefits of Source Control

- Enhances collaboration among developers

- Facilitates efficient management of code changes

- Maintaining a history of project changes and revisions

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# Software-Defined Networking (SDN)

## •Definition

- Simplifies network management by separating control and forwarding functions
- Allows direct programmability of network control and abstraction of the infrastructure for applications and services

## •Components

- SDN Controller (Brain of the network)
- Southbound APIs (Communication between controller and devices)
- Northbound APIs (Interface between controller and the business applications)

## •Benefits

- Enhanced network agility and flexibility
- Simplified network management
- Improved network efficiency and performance

# SDN Example

Business  
Logic/Desired  
Configuration

Application Layer



Northbound  
API



Control Layer

SDN  
Controller

Control Plane

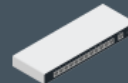
Management Plane

Southbound  
API



Infrastructure Layer

Network  
Appliances/  
Virtual Network  
Functions



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# SDN Use Cases

## •Network Virtualization

- Creating multiple virtual networks with distinct security policies and functions over a single physical infrastructure

## •Cloud Computing

- Dynamically adjusting network resources to meet the demands of cloud services, improving scalability and reducing operational costs

## •Data Center Management

- Automated provisioning and management of network resources, enhancing data flow efficiency and reducing latency

## •IoT (Internet of Things):

- Managing the massive and diverse traffic from IoT devices for reliable connectivity and security at scale

# Game "Cloud Match-Up" Match the cloud deployment model with its best use case:



1. Public Cloud


2. Private Cloud

3. Hybrid Cloud

- A. A government agency handling sensitive data B. A small business looking for cost-effective IT solutions C. A healthcare provider balancing data privacy with scalability needs

# Summary

**Cloud Strategy:** Evaluate cloud apps & services: Choose deployment model (public, private, hybrid) & service type (IaaS, SaaS, PaaS, DaaS) for optimal scalability & elasticity.



**Cloud App Development:** Leverage IaC for automation and leverage SDN benefits.



**Private Cloud/Datacenter:** Virtualization & SAN for enhanced elasticity & scalability. Integrate with SDN & NFV.



**Public Cloud Security:** Define Cloud Responsibility Matrix, conduct regular risk assessments & security audits.

# Discussion time: Please type your questions in chat

- Questions over content.
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- What would you like to see different moving forward?

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